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IN THE CLAIMS:

1. (Currently Amended) A golf club head comprising:

a toe section;

a heel section; and

a strike face;

a rear-insert; and

a center section joining ~~to the~~ toe section to the heel section, the center section including a cavity having a cavity for receiving ~~structure to receive an insert.~~ the rear-insert; and

the toe section, heel section and center section are a single piece, and the toe section and heel sections together comprise at least 80% of the weight of the club head.

2. (Cancelled)

3. (Currently Amended) The golf club head of claim 1, wherein ~~the center section is structured so that the toe section and heel section together~~ comprise at least 90% of a the weight of the club head.

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4. (Currently Amended) The golf club head of claim 1, wherein the cavity includes a back wall, a floor, two side walls and a roof, with the roof, back wall and floor each having a thickness between 0.020 and 0.20 inch.

5. (Currently Amended) The golf club head of claim 1, wherein the insert is for increasing ~~increases~~ a natural frequency of the golf club head.

6. (Currently Amended) The golf club head of claim 1, wherein the insert is coupled to a back face of the golf club head, with the back face located opposite a strike face, and the insert is for dampening ~~structured to dampen~~ a vibration generated in the strike face with a golf ball contacts the strike face.

7. (Currently Amended) The golf club head of claim 1, wherein the cavity includes a floor, and the insert is substantially transparent[,] and positioned adjacent to a the floor of the golf club head, with the floor including a sight line for positioning the golf club head relative to a golf ball, with the sight line visible through the insert.

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8. (Original) The golf club head of claim 1, wherein the insert weighs between 5 and 30 grams.

9. (Original) The golf club head of claim 1, wherein the insert weighs about 12 grams.

10. (Currently Amended) The golf club head of claim 1, wherein the insert ~~is constructed of~~ comprises a material selected from the group consisting of: polycarbonate, graphite, aluminum and graphite epoxy.

11. (Original) The golf club head of claim 1, wherein the insert is substantially transparent.

12. (Original) The golf club head of claim 1, wherein a ~~method of manufacturing the insert comprises~~ is made by a powder metallurgy process.

13. (Original) The golf club head of claim 1, further comprising a hosel positioned in the insert.

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14. (Original) The golf club of claim 1, further comprising a vapor deposited coating covering at least the toe and heel of the golf club head.

15. (Original) The golf club head of claim 14, wherein the vapor deposited coating is comprised of a material selected from the group consisting of: titanium carbo-nitride, chromium carbo-nitride, vanadium, chromium, zirconium, titanium, niobium, molybdenum, hafnium, tantalum, and tungsten, nitrogen and carbon.

16. (Original) The golf club head of claim 1, wherein the club head is selected from the group consisting of: wood-type club heads, iron-type club heads, and putter-type club heads.

17. (Currently Amended) The golf club head of claim 1, further comprising a dampener ~~structured to couple~~ connecting the ~~insert to~~ rear insert in the cavity.

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18. (Original) The golf club head of claim 17, wherein the dampener is selected from the group consisting of: viscoelastic polymers and acrylic polymers.

19. (Original) The golf club head of claim 17, wherein the dampener has a thickness between 0.002 and 0.020 inch.

20. (Currently Amended) The golf club head of claim 17, wherein the dampener is for changing ~~changes~~ a sound emitted by the golf club head when a golf ball is struck.

21. (Currently Amended) A golf club head including a strike face for hitting a golf ball, the golf club head comprising:

a toe section;

a heel section;

a center section joining the toe section to the heel section, the center section including a cavity structure for receiving ~~to receive~~ a rear-insert; and

an face-insert coupled to the strike face.

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22. (Currently Amended) The golf club head of claim 21, wherein the face-insert ~~is comprised of materials~~ comprises a material selected from the group consisting of: thermoplastic polyurethanes, and a blend of polyurethane and silicone.

23. (Currently Amended) The golf club head of claim 21, wherein the face-insert comprises about 50% of an the area of the strike face.

24. (Currently Amended) The golf club head of claim 21, wherein the face-insert comprises between about 45 and 75% of an the area of the strike face.

25. (Original) The golf club head of claim 21, wherein face-insert has a Bayshore rebound between 30 and 60.

26. (Currently Amended) the golf club head of claim 21, wherein the toe section, heel section and center section are a single piece, and ~~is structured so that the toe section and heel section together~~ comprise at least least 80% of a the weight of the club head.

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27. (Currently Amended) The golf club head of claim 21, wherein the ~~insert~~ rear-insert ~~is for increasing~~ increases a natural frequency of the golf club head.

28. (Currently Amended) The golf club head of claim 21, wherein the ~~insert~~ rear-insert is coupled to a back face of the golf club head, with the back face located opposite a the strike face, and the ~~insert~~ face-insert is ~~structured to dampen~~ for dampening a vibration generated in the strike face when a golf ball contacts the strike face.

29. (Currently Amended) The golf club head of claim 21, wherein the cavity includes a floor, and the ~~insert~~ rear-insert is substantially transparent, and positioned adjacent to a the floor of the golf club head, with the floor including a sight line for positioning the golf club head relative to a golf ball, with the sight line visible through the ~~insert~~ rear-insert.

30. (Currently Amended) The golf club head of claim 21, further comprising a golf club shaft positioned in the ~~insert~~ rear-insert.

31. (Currently Amended) The golf club head of claim 21, further comprising a ~~physical~~ vapor deposited coating covering at least the toe and heel of the golf club head.

32. (Original) The golf club head of claim 21, wherein the club head is selected from the group consisting of: wood-type club heads, iron-type club heads, and putter-type club heads.

33. (Currently Amended) The golf club head of claim 21, further comprising a dampener ~~structured to couple~~ connecting the insert rear-insert ~~to~~ in the cavity.

34. (Currently Amended) A golf club head comprising:
a toe section;
a heel section;
a center section joining the toe section to the heel section, ~~the center section structured so that~~ wherein the toe section and heel section comprise at least 80% of a the weight of the club head, the center section including a cavity for receiving a rear-insert, the cavity having a floor; and

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a substantially transparent insert positioned in the cavity and adjacent to a the floor of the cavity, with the floor including a sight line for positioning the golf club head relative to a golf ball, with the sight line visible through the insert.

35. (Currently Amended) The golf club head of claim 34, wherein the insert is for increasing ~~increases~~ a natural frequency of the golf club head.

36. (Currently Amended) The golf club head of claim 34, further comprising a vapor deposited coating covering at least the toe section and heel section of the golf club head.

37. (Currently Amended) The golf club head of claim 34, further comprising a dampener ~~structured to couple~~ connecting the insert to the cavity.

38. (Currently Amended) The golf club head of claim 37, wherein the dampener is for changing ~~changes~~ a sound emitted by the golf club head when a golf ball is struck.

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39. (Original) The golf club head of claim 34, wherein the club head is selected from the group consisting of: wood-type club heads, iron-type club heads, and putter-type club heads.